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FORD NAMES BUSH TO LEAD PANEL TO DIRECT INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES; ROBERT MURPHY HEADS OVERSEERS



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George Bush, left, chairman of new intelligence committee, and Robert D. Murphy, who will be a member of three-man oversight board announced by President Ford.

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President Says He Will
Issue 'Charters' to
Secret Agencies

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 17—President Ford announced tonight the most sweeping reform and reorganization of the United States intelligence agencies since 1947.

His proposals included strong new powers for the Director of Central Intelligence, apparatus for improved oversight by the executive branch and curtailment of covert operations abroad.

In a two-page statement read at the opening of a news conference, Mr. Ford said that he was appointing a new committee, with George Bush, Director of Central Intelligence as chairman, to conduct the "manage-

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ment of intelligence." It was expected to have the power to prepare the budget for intelligence agencies and to allocate their resources, White House sources said.

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